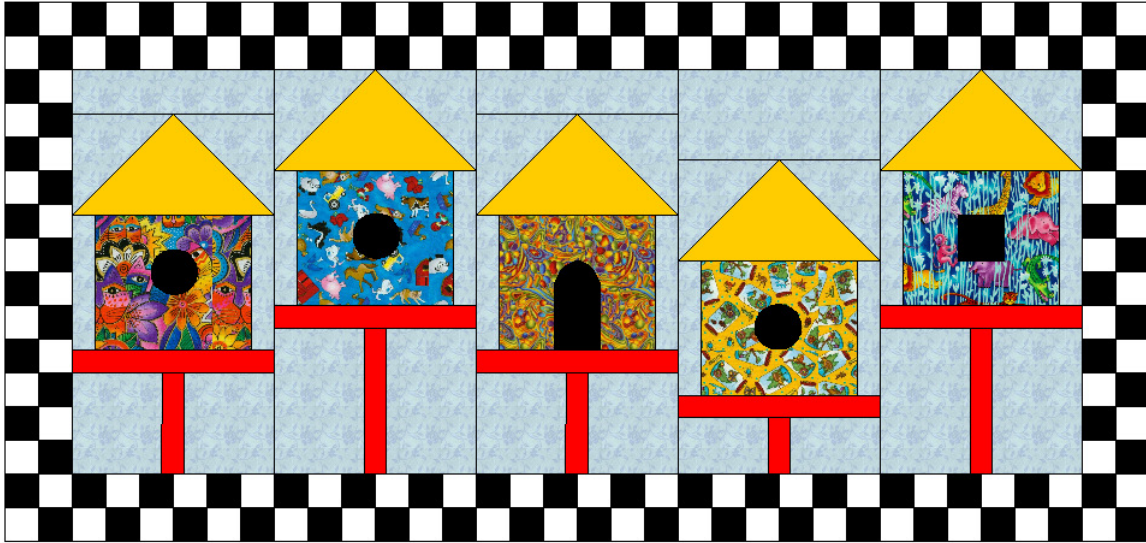


Birdhouse Wall Hanging

This wall hanging is 51" by 24".



Yardage (borders cut crosswise), based on 40" of usable fabric

2/3 yard sky blue (background)

Five 9 1/2" by 5" pieces for roofs (scrappy, or 1/4 yard for all one color, as shown)

Five 6 1/2" by 7 1/2" pieces for house (scrappy, as shown, or 1/4 yard for all one color)

Five 16 1/2" by 1 1/2" pieces for stand and pole (scrappy, or 5" for a all one color, as shown)

3/8 yard black

3/8 yard white

1/3 yard for binding

Cutting:

From Background:

Cut two 5" strips.

From these, cut ten 5" by 5" squares

Cut two 1 1/2" strips.

Cut two 4 1/2" strips

Cut one 2 1/2" strip.

From this, cut two 2 1/2" by 9 1/2" pieces.

If you are making the quilt scrappy, follow the cutting instructions for the BOM for cutting the Roofs, Houses, and Stands

For Roofs all one fabric:

Cut two 5" strips.

From these, cut five 9 1/2" by 5" pieces.

For Houses all one fabric:

Cut two 7 1/2" strips.

For Stands and Poles all one fabric:

Cut two 1 1/2" strips.

From these, cut five 9 1/2" by 1 1/2" pieces.

Cut two more 1 1/2" strips.

For border:

Cut five 2" strips each of black and white.

Construction:

If you are making your houses scrappy:

Cut the four 1 1/2" strips of background into ten 1 1/2" by 6 1/2" pieces.

Cut the four 4 1/2" strips of background into ten 4 1/2" by 7" pieces.

If your houses are all the same fabric:

Sew one strip sets, each consisting of 1 1/2" background, 7 1/2" house fabric and 1 1/2" background. This should be 9 1/2" wide.

Cut these sets into five 6 1/2" by 9 1/2" pieces

If your poles and stands are all the same fabric:

Sew one strip set, consisting of 4 1/2" background, 1 1/2" pole fabric and 4 1/2" background. This should be 9 1/2" wide.

Cut this sets into two 7" by 9 1/2" pieces, two 5" by 9 1/2" and once 3" by 9 1/2" pieces.

From the leftover, rip enough of one seam to cut one 4 1/2" by 9 1/2" piece of background.

Follow the BOM (August 2009) instructions to complete the blocks. Vary the shapes of the openings.

Arrange the blocks in an order that is pleasing to you. Press.

Borders:

Sew the five strips of black to the five strips of white. Press the seam toward the black.

Place two strips right sides together, with the colors not matching. This should put the pieces you will be cutting in the proper position for sewing. Cut into segments each 2" wide. Repeat with two more. Cut the last strip in half, position as before, and cut more segments, until you have a total of 45 segments.

Sew, and press. (45 four-patches)

Sew two strips consisting of fifteen four-patches, and two consisting of eight four-patches.

Sew the long strips to the top and bottom, and the short strips to the sides.

Binding:

Cut four 2 1/2" strips. Cut the ends at 45° and sew together into one long strip. Iron in half lengthwise, wrong sides together. Using an even feed (walking) foot, sew to the right side of your quilt. Turn to the wrong side and stitch by hand with a blind stitch.